
Cornerstone Christian Academy

Educational Philosophy

We are passionate about teaching students and teaching them well. We are not interested in the latest fads but will use any approach (old or new) which helps the student gain mastery learning. Our program is built around five key principles and are considered to be the keys to our success.

1. Christ-Centered Education

- ▶ Students pray and engage in daily Bible Study & memorization.
- ▶ The King James Bible is considered the ultimate “textbook”, providing wisdom for every decision.
- ▶ Scripture is studied and memorized so that it may be accurately and regularly applied to daily life.
- ▶ Chapel is held every week for all students, faculty, staff, and parents.
- ▶ Christian character is nurtured every minute of every day.

2. Teacher-Directed Instruction

- ▶ Teaching is viewed as a gift.
- ▶ The teacher is considered a vital component of the learning process.
- ▶ Opportunities to interact with the teacher (as opposed to computers) should be maximized.
- ▶ The teacher assesses the needs of each student and determines the activities to meet those needs.
- ▶ The teacher is accountable to God, the Board, and the Parents to ensure that learning occurs.

3. Results-Oriented

- ▶ Our definition of “Teaching” is “Causing Learning to Occur”.
- ▶ If one method, no matter how credible, doesn’t work, another should be tried.
- ▶ Parents will be informed of the success or lack thereof of each student.
- ▶ Mastery of learning will be verified through a variety of means, including standardized testing.
- ▶ Not all students work at the same pace or with the same materials.

4. Discipleship Model

- ▶ Every teacher is a professing Christian in word and deed.
- ▶ All parents are professing Christians in word and deed.
- ▶ All Staff and Board members are professing Christians in word and deed.
- ▶ The school does not seek to admit students who are not Christians in order to evangelize them, however we will minister to those who have not accepted Jesus as his/her Savior.

5. Parent-Operated

- ▶ Parents are ultimately accountable to God for the upbringing and education of their children
- ▶ Parent Surveys are given and CARE meetings are scheduled throughout the year to voice praises and concerns about CCA.
- ▶ Conferences between parents and teachers are scheduled if either party deems necessary.
- ▶ We believe that the parent is the students’ “first teacher”. The school should not replace, but should confirm and reaffirm the values taught in the home. Therefore, it is the parents’ responsibility to correct any discipline issues that hinder school success which may include inappropriate behavior or speech, the completion of homework assignments, and regular school attendance.